THE CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR World

1987 CALENDAR

Deadline for Mailing Entries is February 28, 1987

For further information contact the:

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1987 Christian Endeavor WITNESS PROGRAM

For Individuals

Awards will be given for the most significant article, editorial, talk, poster, photograph, cartoon, or activity developed, written, or released after February 28, 1986, and submitted by February 28, 1987.

Division A (those who have not reached their 13th birthday by February 28, 1987)

First Award—$75 U.S. Savings Bond and a Christian Endeavor pin

Second Award—$50 U.S. Savings Bond and a Christian Endeavor pin

Third Award—$15 cash and a Christian Endeavor pin

Two Runners-Up—Award Plaques

Division B (those who are 13 and older but have not reached their 21st birthday by February 28, 1987)

First Award—$125 in cash plus a grant to a maximum of $100 for the expenses of the winner to attend full time the 59th International Christian Endeavor Convention.

Second Award—$100 in cash plus a grant to a maximum of $75 for the expenses of the second place winner to attend full time the 59th International Christian Endeavor Convention.

Third Award—$75 in cash

Two Runners-Up—Award Plaques

For Groups

Awards will be given for the sponsoring and reporting of a significant completed Christian witness project by the group. The project must have begun after February 28, 1986, and must be reported by February 28, 1987.

First Award—$150 in cash plus a grant to a maximum of $150 for the expenses of one or more youth representatives, who must be members of the award winning society, to attend full time the 59th International Christian Endeavor Convention.

Second Award—$100 in cash plus a grant to a maximum of $75 for the expenses of one or more youth representatives, who must be members of the award winning society, to attend full time the 59th International Christian Endeavor Convention.

Third Award—$75 in cash plus a grant to a maximum of $50 for the expenses of one or more youth representatives, who must be members of the award winning society, to attend full time the 59th International Christian Endeavor Convention.

Fourth Award—$50 in cash

Three Runners-Up—$25 in cash

Award plaques will be presented to the top seven winners.

Honor certificates will be presented to all other qualified entrants.

Presentation of Awards—Awards will be presented during the 59th International Christian Endeavor Convention, Buffalo, New York, July 6-10, 1987.

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Mexican Christian Endeavorers

Each year young people around the world celebrate the birthday of Christian Endeavor with a series of special activities. A week, which includes the last Sunday in January and the first Sunday in February, is designated as Christian Endeavor Week.

The first Christian Endeavor group was organized in 1881 at the Williston Congregational Church in Portland, Maine, by Francis E. Clark. February 2 will be the 106th anniversary of its founding. January 25 - February 1 has been designated as Christian Endeavor Week in 1987.

January Dates

2-4	New Jersey Winter Happening, Camp Bernie, Washington, New Jersey
17	Michigan State Board
25	Christian Endeavor Week begins
30-Feb 1	Michigan Ski-ee Weekend, Clear Lake Camp, Dowling, Michigan
31	Golden Rule C.E. Banquet, Union Wesley A.M.E. Zion Church, Washington, D.C.
31	Maryland Alumni Luncheon, Dan Dee Restaurant, Frederick, Maryland

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Christian Endeavor Witness Winners

The International Society annually conducts a Christian Endeavor Witness Program to encourage young people and youth groups to give witness to their faith in Jesus Christ throughout their community, nation and world.

This program is made possible through a generous gift by the Diebold Foundation of New York in memory of the late Albert H. Diebold, a Christian layman from New York City.

Remember, the deadline for mailing entries is February 28! Both individuals and groups are encouraged to participate. (See page 2 for further information.)

February Dates

1	Christian Endeavor Week ends
2	Birthday of Christian Endeavor
6-7	Oregon State C.E. Celebration, Camp Tadnor, Oregon
7	Ontario Executive Committee, Toronto, Ontario
21	Poling Alumni Dinner, Cleveland, Ohio
28	Deadline for mailing Christian Endeavor's Witness Program entries

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Washington State Presidents—Past and Present Steve Roetcisoender and Steve Miller

Christian Endeavor is a Christ-centered organization of Christian young people endeavoring to lead young people to accept Jesus Christ as their Savior and Lord; bringing them into the life of the church; sustaining and training them for the service of Christ and His Church; and, releasing them through all channels of human activity in the service of God and man. The church determines the theology, program, activities and relationships of the group.

March Dates

7	Canadian Executive Committee, Hamilton, Ontario
13-15	West Virginia Winter Happening, Oglebay Park, Wheeling, West Virginia
19-22	Oregon State Celebration
20-21	New Jersey Leadership Development Conference, America's Keswick, Whiting, New Jersey
28	Pennsylvania Executive Committee

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Canadian Christian Endeavor Executive Committee

The International Society of Christian Endeavor includes the United States, Canada, Mexico, and American Samoa. It brings together in conventions and conferences young people from various churches, denominations, nations, and races.

The president serves on a volunteer basis, is elected for a two-year term, and may serve a maximum of two terms.

April Dates

2-5 Washington State Convention, Rose Hill Presbyterian Church, Kirkland, Washington

17 New Jersey Board of Directors, Princeton Seminary, Princeton, New Jersey

18 Michigan State Board

23-24 International Society Finance Committee, Liberty Corner, New Jersey

24-25 International Society Executive Committee, Liberty Corner, New Jersey

24-25 Oregon State Planning Retreat, Eastside Christian Church, Albany, Oregon

25 Maryland Alumni Luncheon, Dan Dee Restaurant, Frederick, Maryland

25-26 The Netherlands Convention, Amerongen, The Netherlands

27-29 World's Union Executive Committee, Liberty Corner, New Jersey

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Korean Christian Endeavorers

As Christian Endeavor spread to other lands, many national unions were formed. By 1895 Christian Endeavor had become a worldwide movement and the World's Christian Endeavor Union was organized. At present Christian Endeavor operates in over seventy nations and island groups and is used by more than eighty different church or denominational groups.

World Conventions are held quadrenially, subject to world conditions. The next World Convention is scheduled for Warwick, England, in 1990.

May Dates

2-3 Ohio Spring Rally, Camp McPherson, Loudonville, Ohio

9 Ontario Christian Endeavor Day

15-16 New Jersey Dungaree Conference, Ocean City, New Jersey

16 Missouri Reunion, Grant's Cabin, St. Louis, Missouri

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Konrad and Jutta Brandt

The president of the World's Christian Endeavor Union is elected for a four-year term and serves in a volunteer relationship with Christian Endeavor.

Rev. Konrad Brandt was elected as the sixth president of the World's Union at the 20th World's Convention in Seoul, Korea, August 6-9, 1986. He succeeded Rev. James Murdoch of Scotland.

Conny and his wife Jutta live in West Germany. He currently is serving as the mission representative of the Marburg Mission in Taiwan.

June Dates

12-14 Texas State Convention, Mary Hardin, Baylor University, Belton, Texas

22-26 West Virginia State Convention, Warwood, West Virginia

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New Jersey Summer Conference

International Christian Endeavor Conventions are conducted every two years in the odd numbered years. The 1987 Convention is being held in Buffalo, New York, July 6-10.

Convention activities include morning Quiet Hour sessions, Christian growth and development seminars, a General Assembly period, and evening mass meetings which include inspirational messages as well as special musical or dramatic presentations.

July Dates

6-10	59th International Convention, Buffalo, New York
8	International Society Board of Trustees, Buffalo, New York
9	International Society Corporation, Buffalo, New York
17	New Jersey Board of Directors, Princeton Seminary, Princeton, New Jersey
18	Michigan State Board
19-25	Washington State Summer Conference Leadership Camp, Camp McCullough, Kent, Washington
26-Aug 1	New Jersey Four Brooks Summer Conference
27-Aug 1	Pennsylvania Summer Assembly, Wilson College, Chambersburg, Pennsylvania

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Virginia Christian Endeavor Convention

Each year a number of state Christian Endeavor unions conduct conferences and conventions. These vary in length from a one-day retreat to a weeklong conference.

Activities include inspirational evening meetings, daily recreational programs, Christian fellowship and personal Christian growth. However, the heart of the conference and convention program is the leadership training emphasis which includes opportunity for Bible study and a personal devotional time.

August Dates

4-8 Virginia 93rd Annual Convention, Bridgewater College, Bridgewater, Virginia

10-16 Mexico National Convention, Acapulco, Mexico

14-16 Golden Rule Annual Conference, Brethren Service Center, New Windsor, Maryland

15-22 New York Summer Assembly, LeTourneau Christian Camp, Canandaigua, New York

21-23 Michigan Summer Retreat and Sponsor Clinic, Cran Hill Ranch, Rodney, Michigan

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Texas Workers' Convention

Each evangelical denomination, communion, or association and each national, state, and territorial or provincial union in the United States and its territories, Canada, or Mexico, may appoint two young people under the age of 25 to the Board of Trustees.

In order to assure youth involvement at the International level, all members of the Board of Trustees under the age of 25 constitute a Youth Assembly which meets during the International Conventions and Board of Trustees meetings. The Associate President of the International Society serves as Chairman of the Youth Assembly.

September Dates

4-6	New Jersey Autumn Excitement
26	Pennsylvania Fall Executive Committee
26	Virginia State Leadership Training Conference

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West Virginia Convention

Christian Endeavor Fellowship Tours are conducted by the International Society to assist delegates in traveling to conventions while fellowshiping with other Endeavorers. Tours often are held in conjunction with the World's Christian Endeavor Convention or other national and international meetings.

October Dates

6-8	International Society Educational Committee, Columbus, Ohio
8	International Society Finance Committee, Columbus, Ohio
8-10	International Society Board of Trustees, Columbus, Ohio
16-17	West Virginia Fall Retreat, Jackson's Mill, West Virginia
17	Michigan Junior Convention
18-21	World's Union Annual Fall Meetings, Kassel, Western Germany
23-24	Oregon State Specialist Seminar, Turner Conference Ground, Turner, Oregon
24	Michigan State Board
29-Nov 1	Southern Region Conference, Montreat, North Carolina
31	Maryland Alumni Luncheon, Dan Dee Restaurant, Frederick, Maryland

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Ohio Fall Retreat

"Trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ for strength, I promise Him that I will strive to do whatever He would like to have me do; that I will make it the rule of my life to pray and to read the Bible every day, and to support the work and worship of my own church in every way possible, and that just so far as I know how, throughout my whole life, I will endeavor to lead a Christian life."

The Christian Endeavor Pledge is the heart and center of the Christian Endeavor movement. As a standard of character and action, it commits the Christian Endeavorer to a life style that should be the standard and norm for every believer.

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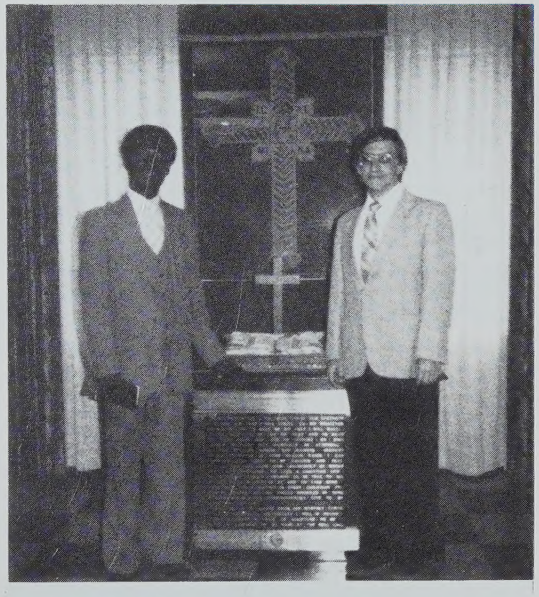

General Secretary Dave Jackson with Ghana Secretary George Larbie

Some specific steps for Christian growth have evolved in the Christian Endeavor movement. The Quiet Hour (time spent daily in prayer and Bible study), Tenth Legion (a commitment to give at least one-tenth of your income to the advancement of Christ's kingdom), Lifework Recruit (dedication of your life to Christian Service), personal evangelism, Christian citizenship, and world outreach are all important emphases of the Christian Endeavor movement. Young people are encouraged to deepen their personal relationship and commitment to Jesus Christ through the acceptance of these various challenges in their service "For Christ and the Church."

The Christian Endeavor World

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COVER

A picture of the Buffalo Skyline, featuring the Small Boat Harbor, serves as a reminder that the 59th International Christian Endeavor Convention will be held in Buffalo, New York, July 6-10, 1987.

WITNESS PROGRAM

Endeavorers, both individuals and groups, are encouraged to enter the 1987 Christian Endeavor Witness Program. A summary of the awards to be presented at the 59th International Convention, along with deadline dates for entries, is included.

1987 CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR CALENDAR

A monthly pictorial calendar highlights the program of Christian Endeavor and lists 1987 dates of upcoming state, provincial, national, and international activities.

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

President Rothenberger talks about the challenge of making our unity in Christ through Christian Endeavor a reality in practice.

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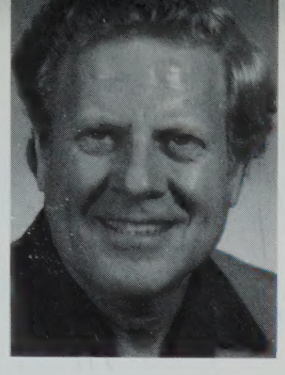

The President's Corner

In the familiar hymn we often sing: "Onward Christian Soldiers"—"We are not divided, all one body we."

This is a nice idea, but to be honest, as we begin a new year of service to Christ through Christian Endeavor, we need to confess that it just is not true. We are shamefully divided into more than 300 denominational groupings and a variety of "religious" squabbles within and between these groupings. The Christian Church in the world today does not present a united face to people who are not part of the church.

It is bad enough to be divided politically, racially, socially, and linguistically; but to be divided religiously is intolerable. We live on a small "space ship" called Earth. As we think about our Christian witness and plan our activities for 1987, my prayer is that we who belong to Christ and participate in the Christian Endeavor movement may work at the task of making our unity in Christ become a reality in practice. Christian Endeavor has a remarkable history of emphasis upon the centrality of the Living Christ and has expressed unity in Him in spite of diversity of traditions and specific practices. Each of us must strive to allow Christ to be the one of whom we speak, the center toward which our plans and activities point, and the goal toward whom we move.

I often think of the Christian Endeavor movement as a great symphony orchestra. When I listen to deeply stirring music by a symphony orchestra, it doesn't matter that the conductor may be a Russian and the musicians playing under him came from Eastern Orthodox Turkey, Lutheran Germany, Roman Catholic Italy and Protestant America. Their differences melt away under the impact of a common love for music and an all consuming desire to reproduce as faithfully as possible the compositions of the great masters of music.

Similarly, the Christian Endeavor movement is a fellowship as diverse as mankind itself, but as united in the living Christ as the music produced by the harmonious notes of a great symphony.

Three principles seem to be at the heart of both a symphony and the unity of Christian Endeavor. First, in a symphony it is necessary for the individual player to make certain sacrifices if the results are to have superior quality. For example, each musician must sacrifice his personal concept of interpretation in favor of the interpretation by the conductor. In Christian Endeavor our conductor is the Living Christ. Also, sacrifices of identity are necessary. Very few people can name the individual musicians while everyone knows the name of the conductor. Then again, there is the sacrifice involved in discipline. The musicians must give up many things they might like to do in order to practice long hours to develop their talents, gifts, and God-given abilities in order to produce spellbinding music.

The second principle is every member of the symphony must recognize one central, authoritative personality as the conductor. Without this, the orchestra would become just a confused center of noise rather than one harmonious musical achievement. In Christian Endeavor, our Savior is the leader.

And thirdly, the differences of background and tradition do not take away from the effectiveness of the efforts of the total orchestra. Actually, the differences give strength and richness to the music produced.

What does this mean for Christian Endeavor? Certainly it means that we don't have to achieve theological identity, but we do have to believe in the integrity of every person's commitment to the Living Christ. When you and I are willing to admit that another person's approach to Christ is just as valid as our own and that God is just as willing to receive other Christians and to reveal His purpose to all who will receive it as He is to us, we shall be moving in the direction of genuine spiritual unity.

As we live through the pages of this calendar, may we become so busy working together reflecting the Spirit of Christ's love and serving His cause, that our harmonious cooperative activities will drown out all the discords that sometimes are heard.

The task of Christian Endeavor as well as of each individual believer is to know Christ and to make that knowledge show in the way we live our lives and relate to one another. May you and I engage in this task during 1987. To God be all glory, honor and praise.

IN 1987 MAKE IT A VACATION WITH A PURPOSE

JOIN A Christian Endeavor Fellowship Tour

Buffalo 87 / Canadian Provinces July 6 - 18

Attend the 59th International Christian Endeavor Convention in Buffalo, New York, July 6-10, and then join our International Fellowship Tour as we visit the New England Coast, the Canadian Maritime Provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, and beautiful Cape Breton Island.

Included in the tour cost is a Buffalo '87 Convention package—registration, lodging and meals—and airfare from Buffalo to Boston.*

An eight (8) day land and sea tour with an overnight cruise from Portland to Yarmouth, Nova Scotia, also is included.

Complete 13 day tour package:
Double Occupancy - $1445 per person
Single Occupancy - $1695 per person

*Special discount airfares are available from major airports to Buffalo through our tour agency.

European Adventure October 11 - 31

Join our 1987 International Fellowship Tour to Central and Eastern Europe and see the great cities of Austria, including Salzburg and Innsbruck. Drive through the Swiss Alps and the Black Forest.

Fellowship with Christian Endeavorers in Kassel, West Germany, while attending the inspirational sessions held in conjunction with the World's Union Board of Trustees meetings.

Continue on to West Berlin, and following a visit to East Berlin, travel through Martin Luther country and Dresden, and then to Krakow, Poland.

A stop in Budapest, Hungary, and a visit to Vienna, Austria, will complete our tour.

A tour itinerary with detailed information and tour costs will be available shortly. Indicate your interest by completing and returning the form provided below.

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☐ Please reserve a place for me on the Buffalo '87 Convention/ Canadian Provinces Tour. My $200 (per person) deposit is enclosed.

☐ Please send me the European Adventure Itinerary.

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